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Announcement of Nomination for 11 Sub-Cabinet Posts

March 2, 1993

The President announced today his intention to nominate a total of 11 officials for senior sub-Cabinet jobs at the Department of State, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Education.

"This group of nominations continues the process of filling our Government with top-flight public servants," said the President. "I am proud that they have agreed to join my administration."

The individuals named today are:

State Department

Patrick Kennedy, Assistant Secretary for Administration

Elinor Constable, Assistant Secretary for International Environmental and Scientific Affairs

Alexander Watson, Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs

John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs

Mary Ryan, Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs

Wendy Sherman, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs

Environmental Protection Agency

Robert Sussman, Deputy Administrator

Bailus Walker, Jr., Assistant Administrator for the Office of Research and Development

Steve Herman, Assistant Administrator for Enforcement

David Gardiner, Assistant Administrator for Policy Planning and Evaluation

Education Department

Kay Casstevens, Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were attached to the press release. Departmental appointments

which were attached to this announcement are listed in the Digest.

Exchange With Reporters Prior to a Meeting With Democratic Congressional Leaders

March 3, 1993

Texas Senatorial Campaign

Q. When are you going to Texas to campaign for Mr. Krueger?

The President. I don't know. I want to go. I haven't been invited yet. I imagine I'll get——

The Vice President. I'm going next week, aren't I?

The President. You're going——

The Vice President. I'll be there next week, Carl [Carl Leubsdorf, Dallas Morning News]. You didn't ask, but that's the answer.

Senator Krueger. Don't insult the Vice President, Carl.

Q. Will you?

The Vice President. Next week.

Bosnia

Q. [Inaudible]—situation on the Bosnian airlift? Is it on or off?

The President. No, it's——

Q. [Inaudible]—Aspin off the reservation?

The President. No, we're continuing the airlift plan. This phase of it's going forward just as planned. And it's under continuous review, but we're going forward with the phase just as——

Q. There's no pause at all in relief efforts, in flying it in?

The President. We're going forward with the phase as we had planned. As you know, for obvious reasons we don't want to discuss specifically when we're doing what. But the initial phase of the airlift is going forward just as——

Q. Why did Secretary Aspin indicate that——

The President. I don't know exactly what he said. I haven't had a chance to talk to him about it.

Q. He said it was symbolic.